

In reference to the proposed Amateur Radio allocation at 5 Mhz, I strongly support its approval by the FCC. It will provide those of us in the South Atlantic area a very reliable band with which to conduct hurricane networks. The current 20 meter frequency is susceptible to interference from signals outside of the concerned area. This severely limits the real time information exchanges and invites "thrill seekers" to unnecessarily get involved. I also urge the earliest use date as we must adjust to antennas and get net protocols well established. I wish that it could be an Extra Class band only, but that would defeat the emergency communications capability. Perhaps one small segment could be for Extra class as an incentive to experiment and share the learning experience.